

In response to that rejection, the Applicants hereby submit a Supplemental Declaration for Reissue Patent Application to Correct "Errors" Statement (37 C.F.R. 1.175) (PTO/SB/51S) signed by each inventor. Consequently, it is respectfully requested that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 251 be withdrawn and allowability of claims 1-46 be so indicated.

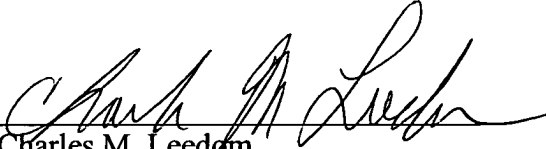
Additionally, in response to the requirement, under 37 C.F.R. 1.178, to surrender the original patent or provide a statement as to its loss or inaccessibility, the Applicants hereby submit the original Letter Patent 5,761,621.

For the reasons set forth above, claims 1-46 are believed to be in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner find some issue to remain unresolved, or should any new issues arise, which could be eliminated through discussions with applicant's representative, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order that the further prosecution of this application can thereby be expedited.

Since the copied claims **26-41** are now in condition for allowance, the Applicants request that consideration immediately begin, pursuant to MPEP **2307.02**, of the Request for Declaration of Interference 37 CFR 1.607 filed on September 8, 1999 concerning claims 26-41 copied from USP 5,805,633.

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